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For: POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE BLOCK-SHAPED MOLDED  
ARTICLE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action of March 10, 2003, and the Advisory Action of July 23, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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